

Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

A Division of the



Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Daviess

LCC: Local Coordinating Council for a Drug-free Daviess County

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Plan Summary

Mission Statement: The Daviess County LCC believes alcohol, tobacco, or drug abuse (ATOD) to be among the leading health and social problems in our nation today. ATODs negatively affect virtually every member of our society through their impact on crime, families, health, education, employment and economics. We believe an important step toward the eradication of ATOD is to address the problem through the combined efforts of citizens at the community level.

We, the Local Coordinating Council for a Drug-free Daviess County, support the coordination of a community-based comprehensive ATOD network to address the problems associated with these abuses and to promote a healthy life-style.

*Originally problem gambling appeared among the "leading health and social problems" in the Daviess County Comprehensive Community Plan. The Daviess County LCC no longer addresses this issue.

History: The Daviess County LCC has, except for a brief hiatus, served as an active agency since the early 1990s. It has endeavored to maintain a broad representation of the community. Members of the clergy, school systems, law enforcement, treatment facilities, and interested citizens continue to serve of the Council. Its activity has grown from merely a funding agency to an active participant in substance abuse and problem gambling awareness programs.

Daviess County is located in the southwest corner of Indiana. This is a rural area, consisting of farms and small communities. This is also a county which continues to address concerns as a fairly economically depressed area. Its county seat is Washington, which is located 100 miles southwest of Indianapolis, 60 miles southwest of Bloomington, 50 miles north of Evansville, and 18 miles east of Vincennes.

Besides farming, the primary industry in the area is a Perdue poultry plant, a grain processing plant, and agribusiness companies. The county's identity has long been associated with its large Amish community. The Amish lifestyle and traditions, restaurants, and shops have attracted a certain amount of tourism. There is a fairly sizable group of educated and professional citizens, but there is also a large population of low income people. Recently, there has been a rise in the number of Hispanic families*.

*Statistics reveal that the number Hispanic persons in the county has risen from 600 to a little more than 800 since 2000. That would represent approximately 2% of the total county population, but 4% of Washington's population.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan: The Daviess County LCC monitors its substance abuse related services and programs to evaluate their effectiveness and their responsiveness to the needs of the county residents. Agencies seeking LCC support are required to submit detailed grant applications outlining the purpose of their events or programs, how they will use their funds, and the numbers of people they will serve. Representatives of these agencies are also required to attend the monthly Council meetings and to present written and oral reports of their events/programs. The LCC often serves as an active participant in these events in order to support the efforts of the agencies and as a means to help promote awareness of the dangers of substance abuse.

Membership List

County LCC Name: Daviess

Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
Jill Alsman	Daviess Community Hospital	C	Female	Medicine
Jane Ann Beard	Purdue Extension Office	C	Female	Youth
Hope Bowman	NDHS post prom committee	C	Female	Parent
Jill Cecil	D.C. YMCA	C	Female	Youth
Todd Church	WPD	C	Male	Law enforcement
Beth Davis	M.A.I.N. Team	C	Female	Citizen
Pete Aldrich	Lighthouse Recovery Center	C	Male	Treatment
Jeff Doyle	ND Jr/Sr. High	C	Male	Education
Rev. Ann Embry	Beulah A.M.E. Church		Female	Religion
Susan Fiscus	ND Elementary	C	Female	Education
Teresa Joyce	WCHS post prom committee	C	Female	Parent
Loretta Kendall	WHS post prom committee	C	Female	Parent
Barbara Knepp	Southwest IN Power House	C	Female	Youth
Ruth Manis	Headstart	C	Female	Education
Larry Mattes	Washington Jr. High	C	Male	Education
Sharon McCauley	R.S.V.P.	C	Female	Civic organization
Ron Morgan	Dav. Co. Sheriff's Dept.	C	Male	Law enforcement
Cathy Ochs	B-RHS post prom committee	C	Female	Parent
Jodi Parsons	Washington Community Schools	C	Female	Education
Holly Payton	WHS	C	Female	Youth

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Problem Identification

Problem Statement #1: The Local Coordinating Council continues to face challenges in achieving its mission to address substance abuse issues through public awareness.

Supportive Data:

- While the Council has experienced increased commitment since new leadership assumed responsibility, the Council could be more involved in community service.
- Meeting attendance has increased, but the membership is transitory, consisting of many who are recipients of one-time grants and not active otherwise.
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Year 1 Update:

- **Community awareness of the purpose and work of the LCC continues to be a challenge.**
- **As community determination to address substance abuse issues increases, the LCC's supporting role has become broader.**
- **Attendance at LCC meetings averages around 15 persons representing area schools, law enforcement, and agency persons as well as concerned citizens.**

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Objectives:

- **The part-time paid coordinator will develop a plan to recruit new membership as well as offer administrative support to the LCC.**
- **The LCC cooperates with other Daviess County agencies--County Extension, Daviess County Partnership, etc.--to coordinate ATOD issues.**
- **The LCC continues to involve the Coordinator and LCC members in regional networking to bring information of regional programs and initiatives to the LCC.**
- **The LCC increases public awareness and public relations through local media press releases, public service announcements, public speaking engagements, and shared information with other local agencies.**

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- **The County Coordinator continues to send written notice of meeting dates to members.**
- **The LCC cooperates with other county agencies--M.A.I.N. (Meth Awareness Is Necessary) Team, Purdue Extension, Tobacco Coalition, Power House, T.R.I.A.D., Daviess County YMCA, law enforcement, etc.-- to address ATOD issues.**
- **With the help of our Community Consultant, members are kept informed of regional and national programs and initiatives.**
- **The LCC joined with the M.A.I.N. Team in sponsoring delegates to the Many Voices, One Vision conference.**

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Goals: Daviess County citizens will recognize the LCC as an integral part of and partner in the campaign against substance abuse.

Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

- **LCC membership includes representatives of all the county's organizations and agencies who address the problems of substance abuse as well as concerned citizens.**
- **Over the past year, LCC has had an increased attendance by 50%.**
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Problem Statement #2: Alcohol and drug related offenses continue to be a serious problem in Daviess County.

Supportive Data:

- County-wide arrests numbered 153 in 2002 and had already reached 66 before the end of the second quarter of 2003.
- The Probation Department reports 23% increase in its caseload of convicted alcohol and drug-related adult offenders in 2002 over its caseload in 2001.
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Year 1 Update:

- **The Washington Police Department reports that there were 219 alcohol related arrests in 2005 compared with 177 in 2004.**
- **The Daviess County Sheriff's Department reported 164 arrests for DUI compared with 163 in 2004.**
- **Daviess County Children's Services removed 15 children from homes where there were alcohol or drug arrests.**

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Objectives:

- **The LCC will participate in the Governor's Commission's education/prevention programs.**
- **The LCC will encourage law enforcement departments to attend LCC meetings and support the Governor's Commission initiatives.**
- **The LCC will, through press releases, highlight the problems and consequences that substance abuse has on the residents of Daviess County, including the costs of impaired driving and the damage to family relationships and economic security.**

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Year 1 Update:

- **The Samaritan Center received LCC funds for the purchase of educational and treatment videos and other materials for its substance abuse treatment.**
- **Embassy of Christ, Inc. received funds for the purchase of educational materials for its substance abuse counseling service.**
- **The LCC helped sponsor the TRIAD Drug Toss event which, with the supervision of local law enforcement officers, gave people a safe and secure way to dispose of their unused prescription and over-the-counter medicines and hypodermic needles. This event served to get potentially harmful substances out of homes.**
- **Through newspaper articles and community anti-drug rallies and other events, concerned citizens and public service agencies continue their efforts to educate all ages on the harmful effects of substance abuse.**
- **Washington Police Department officers who work with police dogs received special canine training.**
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Goals: With combined efforts and continued support from the LCC, local media, treatment centers, prevention agencies, and law enforcement can reduce the number of alcohol/drug arrests by 3%.

Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

- Arrest numbers for DUI increased by 42 in 2005.
- Law Enforcement received Intoxilyzer testers and undercover surveillance equipment that has enabled them to be more efficient in their efforts.
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Problem Statement #3: There is a continued high incidence of use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug products reported by Daviess County youth.

Supportive Data:

- The most recent IPRC data indicates that middle and high school students in Daviess County use some sort of ATOD monthly. Most specifically, there is a significant increase in the use of marijuana, smokeless tobacco, meth, and alcohol in these grades.
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Year 1 Update:

- Although all schools in the county do not give the IPRC survey, the "monthly usage" results from one rural school's survey would indicate that while substance abuse in some categories has decreased since 2004 and in some cases is below state averages, it is still a concern for area teens:
- A. The 2005 survey results from this school show that 14.48% of 12th graders report having used tobacco products on a monthly basis. The number has decreased since the '04 survey by 7%, but it is .5% higher than the state percentage for that age. Tenth graders report 8.02% use. This percentage is lower than the 19.20% in '04 and nearly 3% lower than state numbers. Nearly 2.95% of the sixth graders report using tobacco which is a .4% increase from '04 and .9% higher than state averages.
- B. This same survey indicates alcohol use by 12th graders is 47.4%, which is 5.5% lower than '04 but 6% higher than state averages. For 10th graders 39.7% report drinking alcohol which 5% higher than '04 and 5% above the state numbers. Sixth graders results show 8.2% have drunk alcohol which is an increase of about 4.5% over 2004 but consistent with the state numbers.
- C. Marijuana use reported by 12th graders was 12.3% in '05 which is 3.4% lower than reported in '04 and below the 17.8% state average. For 10th graders the 3.2% who reported using is also lower than the 10.1% in '04 and about 13% lower than the state numbers. Sixth graders reported 1.2% in contrast to the 0% in 2004, and their percentage is lower than the 1.8% state average.
- D. Methamphetamine use has reportedly increased for 12th graders from none in 2004 to 14% in '05. This number is 8.5% higher than state averages. Tenth and 6th graders report no use of meth for either year.
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- According to the Daviess County Probation office's risk assessment surveys during 2005, adolescents admit to using alcohol and marijuana, and a few admit to using methamphetamines.
- According to the certified probation officer who conducts Saturday classes for juvenile first offenders since 1997, 66% of those are males, and the average age for teens of both genders in his classes is 15.5 with 16 and 17 year-olds being the largest group. The number one offense for this group is illegal consumption.
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- The Washington Police Department reports that of the 219 persons arrested for alcohol related offenses, 34 were juveniles compared with 27 of 177 in 2004. Although the numbers are lower, juveniles still represent 15% of those arrested.
- The WPD reports that only 1 person of 120 arrested for meth related offenses was a juvenile compared to 18 of the 95 persons arrested in 2004.
- The Sheriff's Department reports that of the 164 DUI arrests, 23 were juveniles compared to 21 of 163 in 2004.
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Objectives:

- **The Council will increase dissemination of prevention information to young people at sporting events, parades, festivals, fairs, and community gatherings.**
- **The Council will develop community-wide awareness programs including Red Ribbon Week events, Alcohol Awareness Month, 3 D Month, Treatment Works Month, etc. It will also provide adult programs on substance abuse.**
- **The Council will increase activity with school officials to develop integrated curriculum in grades K-12 surrounding ATOD issues by giving information to the schools received from the regional offices for a Drug-free Indiana and supporting education programs and prevention programs within Daviess County schools.**
- **The Council will expand existing peer helping programs in Daviess County and develop other in-school systems that are without such programs.**
- **The Council will encourage all Daviess County schools to participate in the next IPRC survey.**
- **The Council will support the development of peer support groups such as S.T.A.N.D., SADD, etc. in each high school.**

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Year 1 Update:

- The LCC participated in a community anti-drug march and rally in October in which area students participated.
- The LCC purchased and distributed Red Ribbon Week promotional materials to all county students.
- Anti-substance abuse educational materials and T-shirts with an anti-drug slogan were funded for the Southwest Indiana Power House.
- The LCC funded radio spots featuring anti-drug messages presented by the Southwest Indiana Power House.
- The YMCA Afternoons Rock program received funds for anti-drug materials.
- The LCC helped Just Say No fund a drama production about making good choices for elementary students.
- LCC funds helped support the P.I.E. (Parents Involved in Education) program on drug awareness in a county elementary school.
- Post Prom parent committees received LCC funds in support of their drug-free events.
- LCC helped support the "Safe Prom" event staged for Daviess and Martin County high school juniors.
- L.E.A.D. was given an LCC grant for its youth development program.
- LCC funds helped one county junior/senior high school initiate a random drug testing program for its students.
- A second county high school is considering a plan to do random drug testing of senior and/or junior high students who participate in any school sponsor extracurricular activity.
- The LCC will continue to encourage all the schools in the county to give the IPRC survey.
- LCC funds helped support the YMCA's Afternoons Rock substance abuse awareness program for elementary school-aged children.
- LCC funds helped support the Southern Indiana Power House's programs on self-awareness and substance abuse education for adolescents.

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Goals: The incidents of arrests for underaged consumption will decrease by 4%

Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

- One of the four county schools administered the IPRC school survey in 2005.
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Problem Statement #4: There is a high rate of recidivism of first time offenders through the juvenile justice system in Daviess County.

Supportive Data:

- The number of repeat offenders in the Daviess County juvenile systems continues to be a concern.
- Recent data from local adolescent and adult counseling services indicate the parent/first offender programs reduce recidivism.
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Year 1 Update:

- **The Daviess County Probation Office reports that of their 223 juvenile referrals, 101 were repeat offenders.**
- **Juveniles in their office admit using some kind of controlled substance.**
- **According to their statistics on juvenile offenses accumulated from 1997-2005 by a certified probation officer who conducts a Saturday program for first offenders, illegal consumption is the number one offense committed by juveniles.**

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Objectives:

- **LCC will support local programs with the hope of reducing recidivism rate among Daviess County youth.**
- **LCC will begin to research the Teen Court Program and develop implementation plans.**
- **LCC will provide Daviess County school corporations with recidivism rate data and with data regarding youth use of ATODs.**

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Year 1 Update:

- The LCC continues to support programs sponsored by youth groups such as L.E.A.D. (Legal Education About Drugs), Just Say No, S.T.A.N.D. (Students Taking a New Direction), Southwest Indiana Power House, and the YMCA.
- A Teen Court system was never developed.
- The LCC will continue to encourage schools to administer the the IPRC drug and alcohol survey.
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Goals: The number of juvenile repeat offenders will decrease by 2%.

Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

- Reports from the Probation Office indicate the number of juvenile repeat offenders in 2004 was 130. In 2005 there were 120, a 7% decrease in recidivism among juveniles.
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Problem Statement #5: The number of arrests for operating methamphetamine labs and the rise in meth use have become serious problems for Daviess County.

Supportive Data:

- According the the Daviess County Sheriff's Department, the number of their drug-related arrests in the county continues to be a concern.
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Year 1 Update:

- **The Washington Police Department reports that they had seized 6 meth labs compared with 7 in 2004.**
- **The meth related arrests by the WPD were 120 compared with 95 in 2004.**
- **Thirty-two meth labs were seized by the Sheriff's Department compared with 28 in 2004.**
- **Fifty-six people were arrested for other meth related offenses in both 2004 and 2005.**
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Objectives:

- **The LCC will continue to support efforts of school officials and youth leaders to educate young people on the dangers of methamphetamines.**
- **LCC will encourage law enforcement officials to become actively involved in the LCC and local drug education programs as well as Governor's Commission initiatives.**
- **LCC will write newspaper press releases highlighting the dangers and consequences of methamphetamine manufacture and use.**
- **LCC will support the work of law enforcement agencies with financial help in acquiring more drug detection equipment.**
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Year 1 Update:

- The LCC joined with the M.A.I.N. Team to host an anti-drug march and rally in October.
- The Washington Times-Herald newspaper publishes articles covering meth related arrests and feature stories focusing on the effects of meth on the family and community.
- Members of the sheriff's and police departments attend LCC meetings and give demonstrations with their drug-detection dogs and serve as guest speakers to educate the community on meth related issues.
- The Washington Police Department received funds to purchase surveillance equipment.
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Goals: The WPD and Sheriff's Department are members of the LCC . Through education and law enforcement the county will see a 4 % drop in meth related offenses.

Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

- **Meth related incidents have been tracked through reports by law enforcement agencies showing the number of meth labs increased by 3. Other meth related incidents increased by 15.**
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Problem Statement #7: While treatment and counseling services are available in the county for both men and women, there is a need for a transitional housing facility for recovering women.

Supportive Data:

- The nearest transitional housing facilities for women are located in Indianapolis, Bloomington, Bloomfield, and Evansville.
- Because of the lack of an appropriate facility, a local minister and members of his congregation have taken recovering women, some with children, into their homes. In 2005-06 their ministry offered shelter to 3 women.
- A transitional facility for men, but not yet for women, is provided by the Lighthouse Recovery Center.
- Recovering women need a supportive environment and sometimes also need a safe place to be with their children.
- The Sheriff's Department reports that of the 178 people incarcerated for drug or alcohol related offenses, 42 were women.
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Year 1 Update:

- **This concern for recovering women has been added to the 2005 Plan Update as a new community concern in 2006.**
- **This concern will be tracked and reported in the next update.**
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Objectives:

- **The LCC will continue to cooperate with local treatment facilities such as Samaritan Center, the Lighthouse Recovery Center, and Embassy of Christ, Inc.'s Freedom Home.**
- **The LCC will cooperate with efforts to educate the community that a transitional facility is not a detriment to a neighborhood.**
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Year 1 Update:

- **Representatives from the Lighthouse Recovery Center and the Freedom Home attend LCC meetings regularly keeping the Council informed of their progress in meeting the needs for recovering women including the importance of a transitional facility.**
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Goals: With the LCC's support, a transitional housing facility for women will increase recovery statistics for local women.

Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

- **This being a new problem statement there is no progress to report**
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Problem Statement #8:

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Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!

Next Annual Update Due: June, 2007

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: June, 2008

Date of Community Consultant Review: June, 2006

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The information and data provided is presented as factual and accurate. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding the data submitted within the Plan. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

Initials: PAS

Daviess County Local Coordinating Council for a Drug-free Community

2005 Fund Information

1. Amount of interdiction fees collected by the county in 2005 was \$25,966.40. Twenty-five percent (25%) of that, or \$7,816.60, was sent to the Governor's Commission.

2. From a rolled-over balance from 2004 of \$33,944.03, the LCC's 2005 fund total reached \$59,897.38.

A. \$5,857.29 was used for the Coordinator's salary and administrative expenses:

1. Coordinator's salary	\$5,400.00
MVOV delegate registration fee	75.00
Office supplies and postage	382.29

B. \$54,040.09 was available for 2005 program funding.

3. Fund allocation by category, including a brief description of the purpose of the grant funding:

CATEGORY	APPLICANT / PROJECT or PROGRAM description	Requested
Awarded		
PREVENTION \$3,030.00	County high schools' post prom parties sponsored by parents \$2,180.00	
PREVENTION \$650.00	North and Griffith Elementary Schools "Trust Amanda" play \$325.00	
PREVENTION \$900.00	P.I.E. North Daviess Elementary School substance abuse awareness program \$400.00	
PREVENTION \$357.00	Southwest Indiana Power House anti-drug message shirts for its drug awareness program \$180.00	
PREVENTION \$159.00	Project Safe Prom (lunch boxes for participants)	\$159.00
PREVENTION \$202.90	Daviess County YMCA anti-drug materials for after-school program \$202.90	
PREVENTION \$1,702.90	Southwest Indiana Power House anti-drug radio spots \$1,702.90	
PREVENTION \$1,531.00	Red Ribbon Week bracelets for every county student *	
PREVENTION \$541.44	Drug Free Campaign march and rally in cooperation with the M.A.I.N. Team and other agencies (sack lunches for all participants) *	
PREVENTION \$500.00	L.E.A.D. youth development program	\$500.00
Total	\$7,722.24	Prevention/Education

TREATMENT Samaritan Center for educational and treatment videos, books, and

	other materials	
\$1,260.00	\$1,260.00	
TREATMENT	T.R.I.A.D. Drug Toss for publicity (In cooperation with local law enforcement, this event gives people a safe and secure place to dispose of prescription and over-the-counter medicines.)	
\$1,040.00	\$505.00	
TREATMENT	Southwest Indiana Power House for books about making good choices	
\$604.55	\$269.55	
TREATMENT	North Daviess Junior/Senior High School for drug screening kits	
\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	
TREATMENT	Lighthouse Recover Center for treatment materials	
\$3,000.00	\$2,405.00	
Total	\$6,439.55	Treatment/Intervention
LAW ENFORCEMENT	Daviess County Sheriff's Department for Intoxilyzer Testers	
\$1,879.96	\$1,879.96	
LAW ENFORCEMENT	Washington Police Department for undercover surveillance equipment	
	\$3,075.00	\$3,075.00
Total	\$4,954.96	Law Enforcement

4. Although the LCC executive committee officially budgeted \$10,000 each for Prevention/Education, Treatment/Intervention, and Law Enforcement, it recommended the Council attempt to limit awards to fit into a \$5,000 per category budget in order reserve a fund balance for 2006. The executive committee also recommended a budget of \$5,400 for the Coordinator's salary, \$2,500 for office supplies, and \$2,500 to use to fund special projects such as Red Ribbon Week and community awareness events.

(* The prevention/education events marked with asterisks were funded through the \$2,500 designated for use in "special projects.")

Grant applications are reviewed by the executive committee of the Daviess County LCC. Recommendations for awarding Council funds are presented to the LCC members for a vote to approve. Grant recipients sign a document in which they agree to attend LCC meetings and to submit a written grant report within 30 days of their event or program. Grants are awarded twice a year—in the spring (April 1) and in the fall (October 1).